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PROJECT OF NEW PIER PLEASING TO LUMBERMEN

Harbor Commission Will Investigate Further; Delay Follows Illness of Supt. Forbes

In the near future the board of harbor commissioners will confer as a committee of the whole concerning the various harbor-improvement and pier-construction propositions for which the legislature will be asked to make appropriations.

At the board's meeting Tuesday the commissioners voted to take up the various propositions with Chairman Forbes, as a committee of the whole. Forbes is now in the hospital suffering from tonsillitis and appendicitis, so that he has not been able to begin work drawing up plans and specifications for one of the most important harbor projects, that of a \$200,000 lumber-unloading wharf makai of Pier 2, the Channel Wharf.

Illness Delays Start
Forbes made the first announcement of this big project last Saturday in the Star-Bulletin, and said he would start drawing plans for the work this week. His sudden attack of illness has prevented him from doing so, but as soon as he is able to return to work he will take up the matter at once.

According to Col. C. J. McCarthy, one of the members of the board, the proposed lumber pier should make lumber considerably cheaper than it now is. The pier, as stated Saturday, will be 300 feet long by 300 wide, large enough to permit three schooners to discharge at once.

"One of the factors which has kept the price of lumber higher in Honolulu is that of the time needed to unload lumber schooners. Under present conditions they are unloaded by antiquated methods, largely by hand, and the expense and time involved in getting the lumber off the vessel and onto the wharf is all charged against the retail price.

Equipment to be Modern
"When the new pier is completed, provided the legislature grants us an appropriation of \$200,000, it will be equipped with modern lumber-conveyer systems capable of unloading a carload at a time from the vessel and loading it aboard cars or trucks. The board plans to have room for trolley and railway tracks alongside the pier, so that the lumber can be hauled by rail to the yards, if the dealers think this method of hauling would be cheaper than the present trucking system."

The new wharf will reduce by more than 50 per cent the length of haul for lumber dealers having their yards in the Kakaia district. Those firms having their yards in the other end of town, near River street, will not be required to use the new pier unless they desire to, so they will not be put to any more expense than at present, as they can have their vessels discharge at piers near their yards.

Lumber Dealers Pleased
Lumber importers are all interested in the proposed lumber pier but are withholding their opinion until they learn more of the details. Their yards are scattered more or less all along the waterfront and unless they are at that end of the harbor where the new pier is to be constructed the only saving will be made in rapid discharging and there is some doubt of much saving even there.

Lumber vessels are chartered for so long a time, including loading on the coast, the voyage down and discharging while here. If the vessels are discharged inside the charter time the benefit is entirely on the side of the owners. The only advantage to fast discharging would be the shortening of the charter, but a certain time has to be allowed for delays and the saving therefore would be very small.

The lumber dealers, however, all agree that a centralized lumber pier, if handled right, would be of benefit as it would do away with the cluttering up of regular merchandise wharves and assure a place to discharge as soon as the vessel arrives.

DAILY REMINDERS

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Phoenix Lodge meets at 7:30 tonight in regular session.

Three Eastern Star chapters join at 7:30 tonight to celebrate Robert Morris' birthday.

David K. Bent this afternoon filed a divorce summons against Kaulani Bent, alleging desertion.

A baby son was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Medeiros, 1334 Young street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Farrell of 1343 Alapai street, announce the arrival Wednesday of a baby girl.

In the Kaumakapili church, Palama, Rev. John P. Erdman's Bible class will meet tonight at 7:30. The public is invited.

Cooke Library at Punahou will open Friday, and will be open each day with the exception of Labor Day from 8 to 12 a. m.

The office of the local Japanese consulate-general was closed all day today in respect to the emperor, today being his birthday.

The bill of exceptions in the case of Ludwig Weinheimer against David Kahaulelio has been discontinued in the supreme court.

Allegandro Ligasti, Filipino, filed his declaration of becoming an American citizen today in federal court. Ligasti stated that he plans to join the naval militia.

Announcement is made that the regular monthly meeting of the Higa School Alumni Association has been postponed from tomorrow night to September 8, a week later.

Japanese committeemen for this year's Carnival will meet at Central Japanese Institute on Nuuanu street September 3 to confer with Consul Moroi on Carnival matters.

Miss Abbey K. Megeia and Boyd Allen Hale were united in marriage Wednesday by Rev. Fr. H. Valentin at the Catholic church. Miss Lizzie Pail and Mrs. Isabella Bohley accompanied them.

The funeral of Peter, four-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kahula of River street near Kukui street, who died Tuesday, was Wednesday afternoon. Burial was in the Kalaepohaku cemetery.

Tomorrow morning has been set in the supreme court for hearing of the case of Charles Reinhardt against the County of Maui and the case of Territory against Edmund Hart. The latter is in regard to the recovery of bond money.

Koyanagi, working for the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company, went to the Queen's Hospital late yesterday afternoon with a broken leg, sustained at the coal conveyor at the foot of Allen street.

Miss Anetta Dieckmann, educational secretary of the Y. W. C. A., returned from Maui today and is now at her desk at the association. Her vacation was spent at the crater of Haleakala and along the Ditch Trail.

Sur Gun Soon was injured Wednesday evening and taken to the emergency hospital when he was struck on Waiialae road, near Kapahulu street, by an auto said to have been driven by A. C. Hagen of Sixth avenue, Kaimuki.

Miss Leonora Anderson, physical director of the Y. W. C. A., returned from the Y. W. C. A. summer camp at Pearl City this morning. The camp was closed last evening and many of the young ladies returned to the city regretting that they were unable to remain at the summer home longer.

Secretary N. Imai of the Japanese embassy at Washington, who will succeed Secretary Yokoyama of the Japanese consulate-general of this city, will be here about September 15 to take his new post. Secretary Yokoyama will leave this city for Japan on September 28.

Hearing of the case of Leong Tai Loy against Lee Wai, which was to have been continued today from yesterday, was postponed in the circuit court owing to the illness of Judge W. L. Stanley, who is interested in the case as an attorney. If possible the case will be taken up again tomorrow.

An automobile belonging to Peter Lazark was completely destroyed by fire early this morning on North King street. The Palama fire department answered a call, which came in shortly after midnight, and was able to keep the flames from spreading. Lazark was on his way to town and believes the flames started from a leaky gasoline pipe. The machine had been damaged before by fire, according to the police.

MURRAY INSISTS HIS DEPARTMENT NEEDS \$380,000

Manager of Sewer and Water Department Deems Bond Plan Inadequate

\$150,000 for a filtration plant for Nuuanu water.
\$150,000 for a sewer system for Waikiki.

\$80,000 from the cash basis fund, to be released by the legislature, for meters for the entire city.
Harry Murray proposes the expenditures above for the improvement of the water and sewer systems in a discussion of the subject in his office this morning.

"Waikiki sewage is undoubtedly polluting the beach water, that all Honolulu bathes in, today," he said. "The first improvement to the sewer system should be made there. It will take \$150,000 of bond money to do it, and to my mind the work is far more important than the construction of a road from the foot of the Palis or the purchase of a building for city offices, as has been proposed by the finance committee of the supervisors."

"Of course it is not known definitely what becomes of Waikiki sewage," he explained, "but it must go somewhere and the presumption is that it seeps water level and seeps through the sand to the sea."

He pointed out the futility of spending money on extensions of the water mains so long as there is a waste of water by the city that may be reduced. "If we put in 20-inch mains in a section that needs better service now, but which would be well supplied with water through its present mains when meters are installed throughout the city and the present consumption cut by from 25 to 40 per cent, it would be a waste of money, would it not?" he asked.

That is why he is recommending that a filtration plant for Nuuanu water be the first improvement in the water system purchased from bond proceeds.

He suggested that the legislature be petitioned to release the cash basis fund, money set aside for future use by the city which is lying idle now, for the purchase of water meters. "The water department could return the money to the general fund from its revenue within five years," he asserted. "If meters are installed the consumption of water will be cut from 19 million gallons a day, on the present basis, to between 10 and 14 millions. Water mains that are now too small and should be replaced will be large enough to carry the amount needed under metered service. Enough money will be saved by the department to furnish all the upper levels with artesian water. Eventually the time will come when meters will have to be installed and the sooner it is done the better."

FORMER KAMEHAMEHA STUDENTS SEEK FUNDS FOR CASE ON APPEAL

Former students of the Kamehameha schools, those who belong to the alumni association and those who do not, will gather tonight at the clubhouse, 1337 Fort street, to discuss plans for raising funds to back Charles E. King in the position on the board of trustees, to which he was appointed some months ago by Circuit Judge C. W. Ashford.

Appeal has been made in the supreme court for King's removal and the funds raised will go toward attorneys' fees as well as other expenses. The plan is to solicit funds from all the islands, according to Harold Godfrey, president of the association. The meeting will be held at 8 o'clock, and will be open for all former students of the schools.

King will appear as one of the speakers in his own behalf, and Rudolph Duncan, representing the committee, will be another. Godfrey said today that approximately \$1000 is considered necessary for the fight. E. C. Peters has been engaged as attorney by the association.

CANOE CAPSIZES AND FORMER SOLDIER DROWNS

Frank Smith, a former soldier at Schofield Barracks, drowned last night at the Wahiawa dam when a canoe in which he and a companion were paddling capsized. The body has been brought to Williams' undertaking parlors and the funeral will be Saturday afternoon. Smith was about 30 years old and is survived by a widow living at Wahiawa.

AHUNA FILES NAME

Robert Ahuna, a member of the Honolulu police force, this afternoon filed at the office of the secretary of the territory his application for nomination as Democratic representative from the fifth district. This is the only nomination today, no more arriving from Maui on the boat this morning. Delegate J. K. Kalaianaoale yesterday afternoon filed his nomination, making the 13th candidate for the day.

Applications for passports were filed in federal court today by the following: Carl H. Goetz, going from here to Japan, and James Edward Kennedy, passing through Japan on his way to Manila.

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